Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon *(Minister for Development)*:

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) He has studied how they are tackling the problem.

മിസ്റ്റർ വി. ആർ. കൃഷ്ണനെഴുത്തച്ഛൻ: ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട മിനിസ്റ്റർ മദ്രാസ്സിലേക്കു പോയിട്ടു് ആരെയെല്ലാമാണു് സന്ദർശിച്ചതു"?

Mr. K. Balakrisna Menon *(Minister for Development)*: I had a talk with the Hon'ble Minister for Labour Mr. V. V. Giri. I met Mr. Veeraraghavan, the Commissioner for Labour, Madras, and I had also a talk with some other members connected with Labour.

മിസ്റ്റർ വി. ആർ. കൃഷ്ണനെഴുത്തച്ഛൻ: അതനുസരിച്ചു ഇവിടത്തെ ലേബറേഴ്സിനെ സംബന്ധിച്ചു് എന്തെങ്കിലും മാറ്റം വരുത്തുവാൻ ഉദ്ദേശിക്കുന്നുണ്ടോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. ബാലകൃഷ്ണമേനോൻ: ഇപ്പോൾ ഒന്നും ചെയ്തിട്ടില്ല.

മിസ്റ്റർ ജോസ്സു് കെ. വട്ടിസ്സു്: ഇവിടത്തെ ലീഡർമാരെ ആരെയെങ്കിലും കൊണ്ടുപോകാതിരിക്കുവാൻ വല്ല കാരണമുണ്ടോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. ബാലകൃഷ്ണമേനോൻ: ഇല്ല.

മിസ്റ്റർ പുതൂർ അച്യുതമേനോൻ: ആരാണു് ഈ നേതാക്കന്മാർ?

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. ബാലകൃഷ്ണമേനോൻ: അതു് എന്നോടല്ലാ ചോദിക്കേണ്ടതു്.

Mr. V. R. Krishnan Ezhuthassan *(Oorakam)*: Was there any other purpose in the visit of the Minister to Madras?

Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon *(Minister for Development)*: Yes.

Mr. V. R. Krishnan Ezhuthassan *(Oorakam)*: May I know what it is?

Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon *(Minister for Development)*: I went to Madras not only to study the labour problems but also to know the working of the co-operative movement there.

Mr. P. K. Dewer *(Nominated)*: Has the Minister profited himself by the visit to Madras in regard to labour problems?

Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon *(Minister for Development)*: That is rather a difficult question for me to answer. But I may say for the information of the House that when I contacted Mr. Giri he told me that he had for the present left the matter to be settled by the employer and the employed and so far as strikers are concerned, they will not interfere, but where the labourers go out of the way Government will interfere in order to maintain law and order.

Mr. M. K. Raja *(Mulakunnathukavu)*: So far as the Ayurvedic College is concerned may I know whether any concrete result has emerged from the visit of the Hon'ble Minister to Madras?

Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon *(Minister for Development)*: The Hon'ble Minister for Public Health, Madras, has promised to consider the question sympathetically. She saw eye to eye with me in the possibility of opening a college at Cheruthuruthy, both Governments pooling the resoures together.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*: May I know Sir, whether the Madras Government have appointed any Committee as we have done in Cochin to go into the question?

Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon *(Minister for Development)*: At the time I went there, there was no committee constituted in Madras to enquire into the problem of labour.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*: May I know whether conciliation boards of the sort constituted here are in existence in Madras?

Mr. K. Balakrshna Menon *(Minister for Development)*: There was none.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*: Have any conciliation boards Sir, been constituted here?

Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon *(Minister for Development)*: Three boards are working well and others are in the making.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FUND

63. **Mr. M. O. Thomakutty** *(Commerce & Industry)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) when was the Industrial Development fund created;

(*b*) how many applications for loan have been received by Government; when were they received and from whom;

(*c*) how many of such applications have been sanctioned;

(*d*) what is the total amount of loan granted so far from this fund?

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Rama Varmha Tampuran, M. B. E. *(Chief Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) The fund was created on 29th August 1945.

(*b*) Two applications for loan have been received.

i. Mr. George Kurian, Puvathingal, Chittur Road, Ernakulam, dated 10th December 1945.

ii. Mr. R. Krishnan, Manager, Educational Appliances and Electro Mechanical Agencies, Ernakulam, dated 27th June 1946.

(*c*) The applications have not been sanctioned.

(*d*) Nil.

Mr. M. O. Thomakutty *(Commerce and Industry):* May I know whether any publication has been made in connection with the starting of this fund?

Rama Varmha Tampuran, M.B.E. *(Chief Secretary to Government):* The order was passed a year ago and I find from the files that the order was published in the Gazette and the same was also communicated to the Information Officer.

Mr. M. O. Thomakutty *(Commerce and Industry):* May I know whether the petitions have been refused by Government?

Rama Varmha Tampuran, M.B.E. *(Chief Secretary to Government):* They are under enquiry.

Mr. M. O. Thomakutty *(Commerce and Industry):* May I know what is the reason for not sanctioning the loan yet?

Rama Varmha Tampuran, M. B. E. *(Chief Secretary to Government):* They are still under enquiry.

Mr. P. Sankara Menon *(Trichur-North):* Is it the position of the Government that these applications were rejected before the rules were framed?

Rama Varmha Tampuran, M.B.E. *(Chief Secretary to Government):* They have not been rejected. They are under consideration.

Mr. K. T. Achyutan *(Ezhuvas-Mukundapuram):* May I know what is the industry contemplated by the 1st applicant?

Rama Varmha Tampuran, M.B.E. *(Chief Secretary to Government):* He intends to start a research laboratory. He is a Japan trained industrialist and he has a laboratory of his own here. He wants to improve that for which he requires some financial aid.

Mr. M. O. Thomakutty *(Commerce and Industry):* May I know whether the Government will not grant loans for such research laboratories?

Rama Varmha Tampuran, M.B.E. *(Chief Secretary to Government):* Certainly research will help the industries. He has manufactured certain things in this laboratory.

Mr. M. O. Thomakutty *(Commerce and Industry):* May I know whether the Government intend to take security for the loans?

Rama Varmha Tampuran, M.B.E. *(Chief Secretary to Government):* Yes.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FUND

64. Mr. M. O. Thomakutty *(Commerce and Industry):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) have the Government framed rules for the grant of loan from the Industrial Development Fund;

(*b*) if so, what are the main conditions on which loans are advanced?

Rama Varmha Tampuran, M.B.E. *(Chief Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) No. The rules are only in the draft stage and under the consideration of the Industrial Advisory Board.

(*b*) Answer does not arise in view of the answer (*a*).

Mr. M. O. Thomakutty *(Commerce and Industry):* Will you kindly give us an idea of the rules?

Rama Varmha Tampuran, M.B.E. *(Chief Secretary to Government):* I will place the copy on the table.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Nellai):* May I know when the framing of the rules will be completed?

Rama Varmha Tampuran, M.B.E. *(Chief Secretary to Government):* These rules are now studied by the Board.

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